

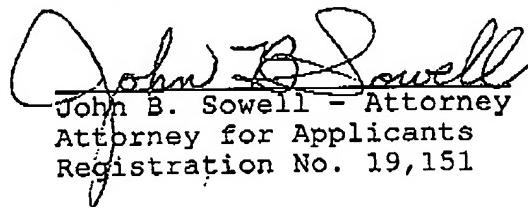
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fully traversed. The applicants respectfully challenge the Examiner to cite one or more references which clearly teach that the "diamond saw blade" set forth in the method claims can be made by a method other than the method set forth in claim 9. Clearly there are None!

If the Examiner intends to cite a method predicated on his own personal knowledge then it is not in the public domain and has been derived from the applicants' teachings and this is improper.

The fact that the USPTO chooses to classify method claims in a class different from the product or product by process claims is not a proper ground for restriction and the requirement for restriction should be withdrawn!

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